

# VET in Schools Student of the Year Award

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This document contains the selection criteria for the VET in Schools Student of the Year Award nominations.

The NSW Department of Education and Training (DET) conducts the NSW Training Awards each year to recognise outstanding achievement in the vocational education and training sector. The Awards reward and honour the achievements of students, training organisations, and employers.

All state finalists will be invited to attend the Awards Presentation Dinner to be held at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre in Darling Harbour on 16 September 2010 where the Minister for Education and Training will announce the winners.

*This awards is a NSW only award. There is no equivalent at the Australian Training Awards.*

## Eligibility

The VET in Schools Student of the Year award is open to full-time Year 12 school students undertaking accredited vocational education and training (including level II part-time traineeships) as part of their HSC program of study in 2010.

VET in Schools Student nominees

- Candidates may only be nominated by their registered training provider
- Candidates may only be nominated for one award
- Candidates may only have one nominator

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*Please note:*

*Applications are to be a maximum of 15 A4 pages (including attachments).*

## Criterion A:

Provide a short overview covering a description of the qualification you enrolled in, your Registered Training Organisation and employer as well as your reason for choosing this industry and training path.

## Criterion B:

- 1: Career and study achievements
- 2: Communication, team and leadership skills
- 3: Other pursuits
- 4: Ability to represent the training system at a broader level

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## Addressing the criteria

In your application, you must present your information in a way that clearly addresses the award criteria. Judging panels will be looking for evidence of how your training has contributed to your career and study plans, to the development of your skills and your achievements to date, as well as any way in which your training may have helped you to achieve other pursuits.

In developing your application, you may wish to take into account some of the considerations outlined below. These suggestions are not additional criteria, but are provided to give clarification of what may be relevant to include when writing against the criteria.

### Career and Study Achievements

Consider things such as:

- any personal or career gains you have achieved from participating in your studies and your job
- how you can demonstrate your understanding of the value of learning
- how you have integrated on-the-job and off-the-job training and what benefits this has held.

### Communication, team and leadership skills

Consider any skills you have developed through your training, such as:

- effective oral and written communication
- your level of self-reliance and resilience in times of challenge
- effective team participation
- leadership and promotion of your training, industry or other things you are involved in your capacity to be an effective ambassador for your industry, community and Australia.

### Other pursuits

You may wish to include information about:

- your achievements in areas other than study and work
- your involvement in the community
- your awareness of current social, economic and political issues.

### Ability to represent the National Training System at a broader level

Tell us about:

- any knowledge or understanding you have gained of new developments and trends in your workplace or industry and the vocational education and training system
- any messages you might have that could encourage others who are interested in entering your training pathway.